CLW is also producing locos of 5000 HP by upgradation of existing design.

(e) There was in fact no indigenous offer. However the offer of M/s BHEL was based on import of technology as well as equipment from Hitachi, Japan.

(f) The riding of Integral Coach Factory (ICF) coaches is well within acceptable limits.

Passengers' Hardships on Western Railway

7871. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has seen the news-item which appeared in Marathi daily "Loksatta" published in Mumbai on the 19th May, 1994, regardiong passenger hardships on Western Railway if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto;

(b) whether it is a fact that such complaints are regularly received by the Railway Authorities on the routes mentioned in the complaints if so, what action was taken thereon;

(c) what action Government propose to take against Government Railway Police involving three different States;

(d) whether Railway Vigilance Branch of the Special Travelling Ticket Inspectors have in the past done any surprise check of these routes of so, the details thereof; and

(e) what action Railways contemplate against the staff?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Gauge conversion between Gandhidham and Bhuj

7872. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railway Minister assured the delegation of MPs belonging to Kutch District that he will initiate action on the lines of Konkan Railway Corporation and solve the long pending issue of broad gauge Railway conversion project between Gandhidham and Bhuj;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railway Minister has also agreed to visit Gandhidham with entire Railway Board members to study the issue and take on the spot decision;

(d) if so, the outcome thereof and the decision taken by the Railway Minister during his visit to Gandhidham so far; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C.K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details have yet to be worked out.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e) The visit has not taken place so far.

रेलवे में चल टिकट परीक्षकों द्वारा कदाचार

7873. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव:** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि जिन चल टिकट परीक्षकों के कदाचारों को रोकने के लिए जो अभियान चलाए गए थे और अनुशासनात्मक कार्यवाहियां प्रारम्भ की गयी थीं; उनमें से कई परीक्षकों को बिना किसी दंड के छोड़ दिया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) कदाचार के दोषी कर्मचारियों की संख्या क्या है और कितने कर्मचारियों के विरुद्ध जांच की गयी और उन्हें दंड दिया गया; और

(घ) उन्हें किस प्रकार का दंड दिया गया?

रेल मंत्री (श्री सी॰ के॰ जाफर शरीफ): (क) और (ख) कुछ चल टिकट परीक्षकों, जिनके विरुद्ध प्रथम दृष्ट्या साक्ष्य के आधार पर अनुशासन एवं अपील नियमों के अंतर्गत जांच की गई थी को दण्डित नहीं